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FORMER SAN ANTONIO BUSINESS OWNER PLEADS GUILTY TO W.I.C. FRAUD

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced that in San Antonio this afternoon, Noufan Al-Dmour pleaded guilty to defrauding the Women, Infants and Children (W.I.C.) program to the tune of an estimated \$459,000.

Appearing before United States Magistrate Judge Pamela Mathy, the former owner of Guadalupe Food Mart pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to defraud the United States. By pleading guilty, the defendant admitted that between January 2001 and December 2003, he schemed to accept W.I.C. food vouchers from customers at less than face value while submitting false claims to the State of Texas for the full face value of the discounted vouchers.

As a result, Al-Dmour faces up to five years in federal prison, a maximum \$250,000 fine, and full restitution. Al-Dmour is currently on bond pending sentencing scheduled for 9:30am on October 25, 2007, before United States District Judge Orlando Garcia

This case was investigated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of Inspector General and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Ray and Leroy Jahn.

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